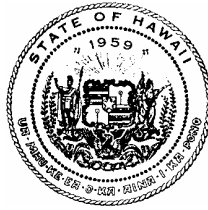


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Hoisting Machine Operator's Advisory Board Minutes
Thursday, October 11, 2007
1:00 p.m.
Department of Labor & Industrial Relations Office
HIOSH Training Room
830 Punchbowl Street #425
Honolulu, Hawaii 96814

Members in Attendance: Roy Akamine, Ralph Cushnie, Tom Vendetta, Daniel Nelson, and Lora Contreras.

Guests: Bob Hornauer, NCCCO; Michael Akau, Operators Engineers JAC; Larry Price, Hawaii Crane and Hoist; Ida Maryott, Crane Operator Tests Services; Ed Ventula, Lifetime and Handling Specialist-Universal Crane Services; SinClair Taniguchi, Universal Crane Services; T. Tori, T&T Towing Services; Doc Bailey, All Crane Training; JC Fiero, Haku Crane & Rigging.

Call to order: Quorum was met. The meeting was called to order by Chair Vendetta at 1:00 p.m.

Minutes of March 28, 2007.

Minutes were approved unanimously.

Community Concerns:

Mr. Bob Hornauer from NCCCO updated the board on its current status. Certification for crane operators has increased in the last two years. NCCCO feels they are meeting the needs of the operators nationally and will soon offer on-line testing to further accommodate test sites. However, there may be a possibility of higher fees for the security and proxy administering the test. He reported the recent ANSI accredited entity is now meeting the requirements of HIOSH standard for the issuance of certifications to crane operators. Currently there are 13 NCCCO Practical Examiners who are testing in the islands and 49 Practical Testing sites. NCCCO will continue to work with the industry and HIOSH to facilitate compliance with the requirements of the HI Admin Rules.

Questions ensued as follows:

How would verification of 1000 hours for recertification be done?

The previous employers would verify if there is a need. There is no form, usually just a letter from the company.

If the operator fails twice, does he have to re-take the written and practical again?

Yes, and the operator can take the test as many times he must to pass.

How much training is required for the re-certification test?

NCCCCO does not do any training.

If there is an audit or complaint, does NCCCCO do a thorough research?

NCCCCO usually believes the employer. NCCCCO has an Ethics Committee that reviews complaints. They also have an appeals process in place. There are future plans to post on the web actions against operators.

Does the State have rigging and hand signal rules?

These rules are not covered in HMOAB Admin Rules.

Final discussion was on DLIR partnering with contractors to help fund training classes for crane operators. Mr. Doc Bailey and Mr. SinClair Taniguchi will be submitting quotes with entire costs for training classes. After the board's review, Chair Vendetta acknowledged that the request would be submitted to the director of the department.

Director's Report:

As of this date no crane accidents were reported to the department.

New Business: None

Unfinished Business:

Amendment to HMOAB Administrative Rules

Final recommended rule changes (in Ramseyer format) as reviewed and approved by Deputy AG Lam were sent to the Director's office. The board is waiting for further word from Mr. James Hardway as to the next steps (public hearings, approval by Federal OSHA, adoption of a HIOSH rule to enforce, etc.) in the process to finalize and adopt the revised rules for enforcement.

Executive Session: None

Correspondence: None

Announcements: Next board pending amendment to the rules.

Adjournment: Chair Vendetta adjourned the meeting at 2:30 p.m.

HANDOUTS:

NCCCCO Packet

CCO Questions from Ed Ventula